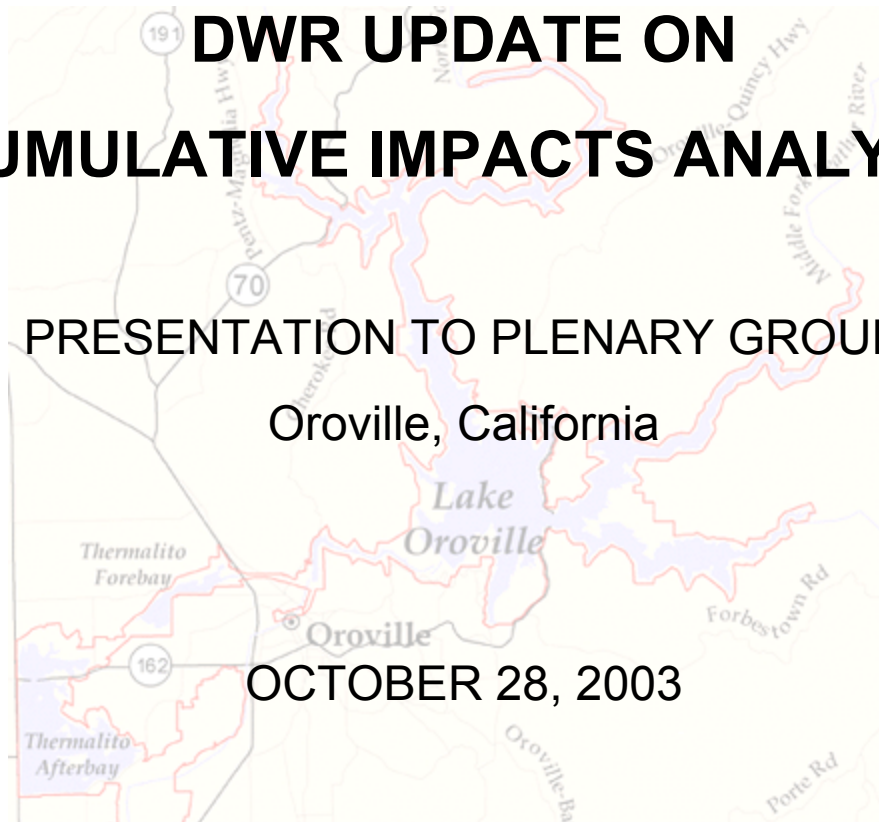


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PRESENTATION TO PLENARY GROUP

Oroville, California

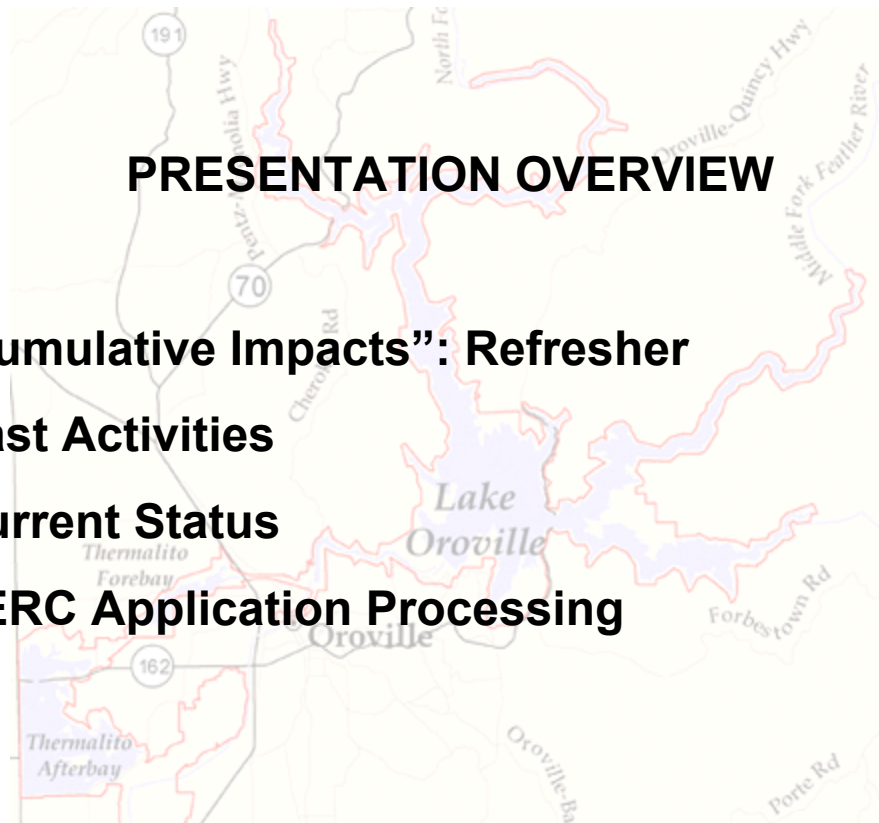
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## PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

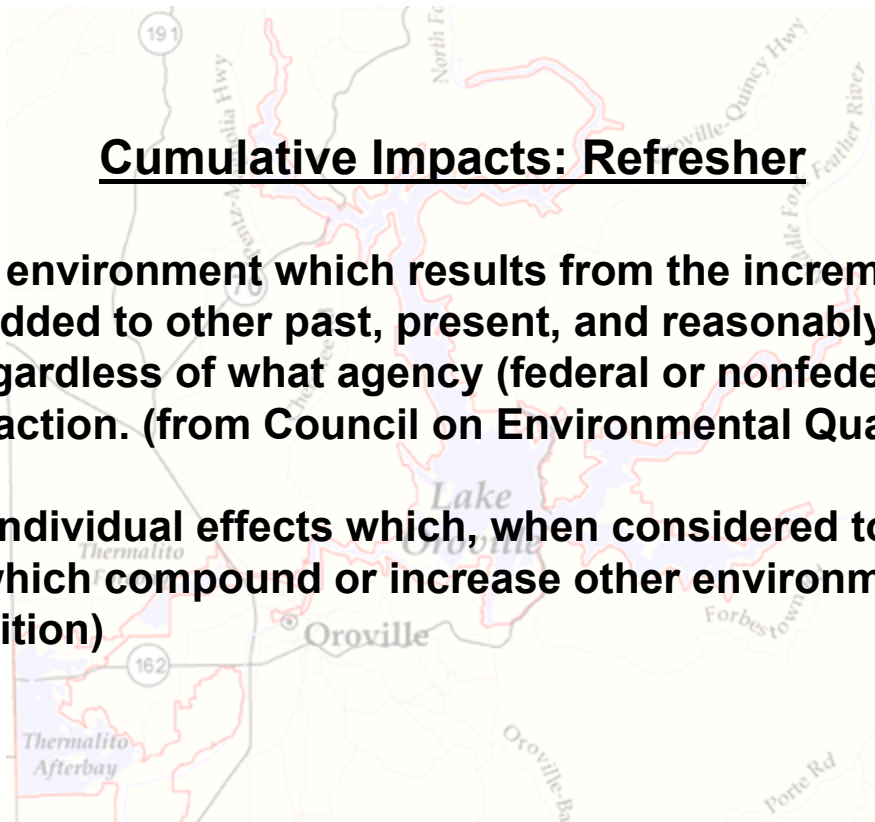
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- **Past Activities**
- **Current Status**
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## Cumulative Impacts: Refresher

- Impact on the environment which results from the incremental impact of the action when added to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions, regardless of what agency (federal or nonfederal) or person undertakes such action. (from Council on Environmental Quality)
- Two or more individual effects which, when considered together, are considerable or which compound or increase other environmental impacts. (from CEQA definition)



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A map of the Oroville area in California, showing the Oroville Reservoir and surrounding roads and towns. The map includes labels for Oroville, Thermalito, and various roads like Highway 191, Highway 70, and the Oroville-Quincy Hwy. The reservoir is highlighted in blue, and the surrounding land is in shades of yellow and orange.

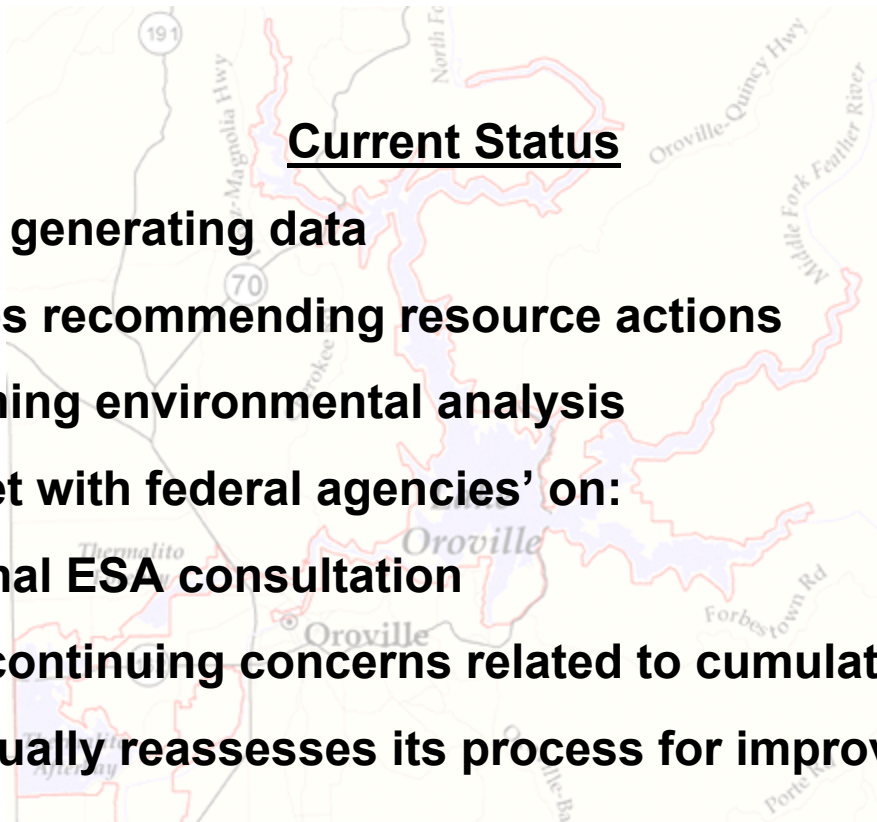
## Past Activities

- Development and negotiation of 71 study plans
- Formation of a Cumulative Impacts Task Force
- Distribution of Guidance Document(s)
- Work Group and Plenary Group Discussion
- Scoping Document 2 Discussion
- Letters Submitted to FERC
- Off-line Stakeholder meetings

# DWR UPDATE ON CUMULATIVE IMPACTS ANALYSIS

## Current Status

- Study plans generating data
- Work Groups recommending resource actions
- DWR beginning environmental analysis
- DWR to meet with federal agencies' on:
  - informal ESA consultation
  - their continuing concerns related to cumulative impacts
- DWR continually reassesses its process for improvements



# DWR UPDATE ON CUMULATIVE IMPACTS ANALYSIS

## FERC Application Process

- Once application and environmental documentation received:
  - Interested parties express their support or opposition to DWR application and environmental documentation
  - FERC determines whether additional information required
  - Mandatory conditioning agencies determine how they should exercise their authority

